

WORLDNET

Emergency Operating Instructions

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This document is NOT intended as a full explanation of Worldnet capabilities or usage. It is for emergency use only. For Edmod Neurotransfer contact your Local Node Edmod AI.

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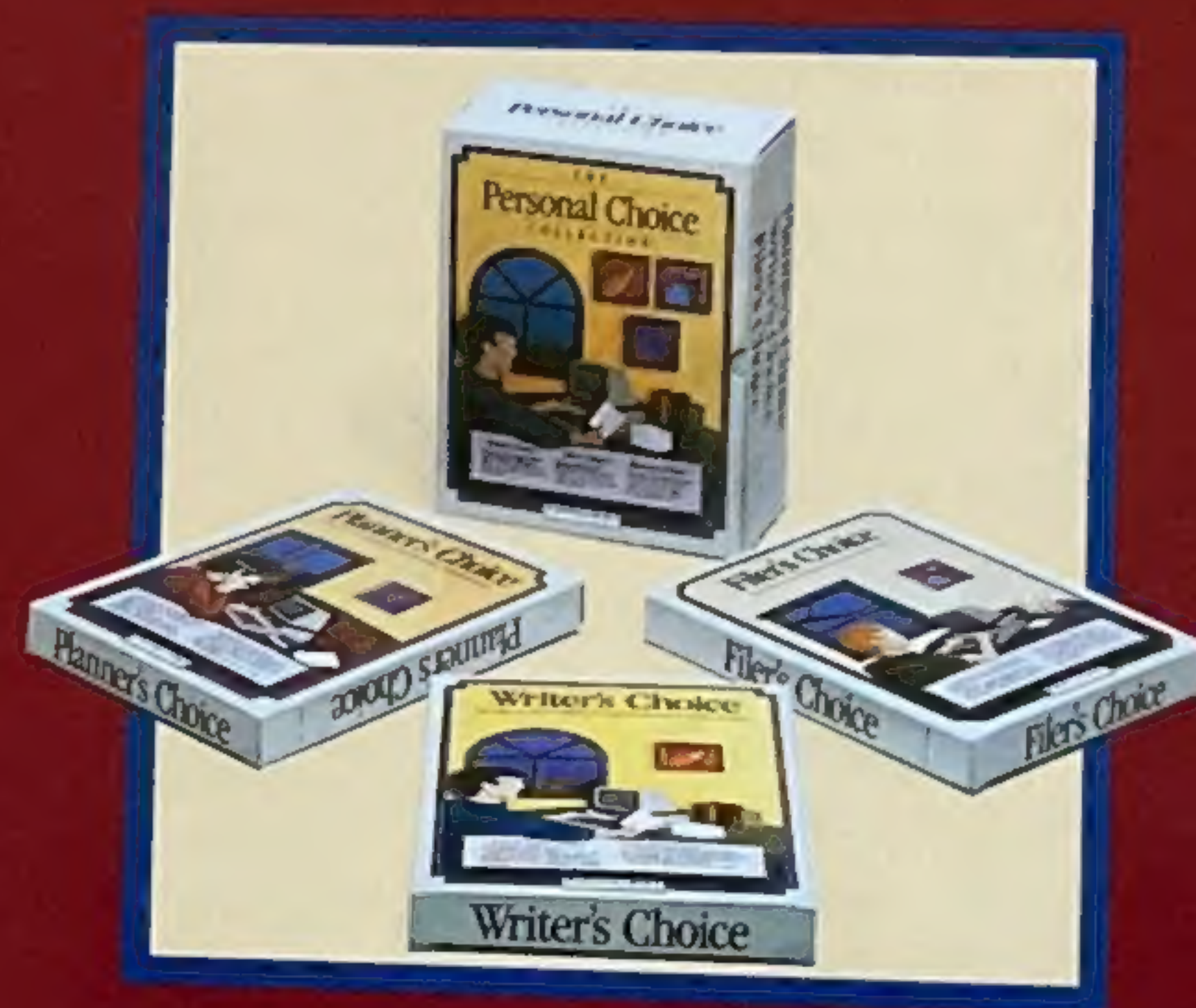
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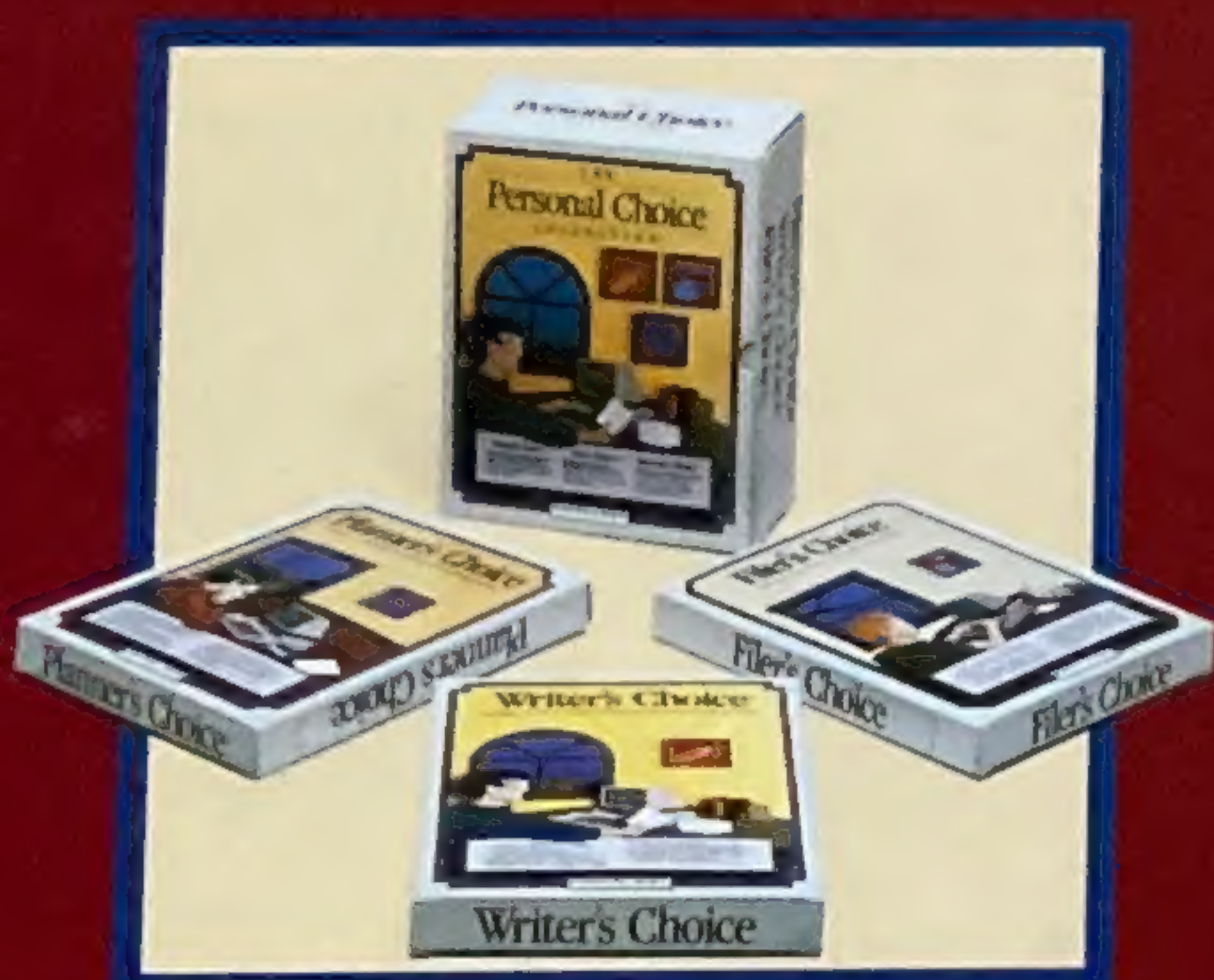
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I had no idea how much time had passed, of course. When the ship revived me, 200 million kilometers out, I was disoriented and puzzled. Later, when we swept in over the South Atlantic on our first orbit, I grew alarmed.

This was not the world I left, although the general geography was familiar. There was the hooked circle of Antarctica, the Western Hemisphere, the broad bulge of Siberia and the Arctic ice cap, but where were the cities? Where was the constant communications chatter? Where were the signs of traffic and human life? The planet I was orbiting was empty.

Yet the system was the same. The LP-5 colonies still hovered at the Lgrange points, but they too were silent. The moon circled overhead, but no voices came out of the Lunar bases. The geosynchs and relay satellites had certainly multiplied since I'd been gone, but nothing but unmodulated carrier waves moved between them.

Yesterday, I was laid into the complex hum of the first cryofield aboard the *Gyges* and put to sleep. For me it was yesterday, yet years have passed. I should have revived in orbit off 61 Cygni and spent a year observing the double star.

This did not happen.

Gyges held me, my cryofield, and the most advanced artificial intelligence computer Earth scientists could produce in the early 21st. She spoke and understood standard natural language. She contained the intuitive and deductive skills of countless experts in celestial navigation, the physical and biological sciences, life support, entertainment, and psychological adaptation. I anticipated no problems.

But I awoke (it seemed) moments after I'd gone into the cryofield—200 million kilometers from Earth, inward bound—and everything has changed.

Manhattan is a monument. The triangular mile-high pyramids of midtown still stand, but they're empty. The lower East Side is a vast field littered with abandoned vehicles of types I have never seen. Some of them have been open to the seasons for years. Brambles have grown over the seats and through the steering columns (at least I think that's what those whiplike extensions from just below the left-hand window must be). A cold wind was blowing.

Then, early in June, I found an entrance.

Everyone had moved underground. Of course that movement had begun before I left, but I had had no idea it would be so extensive. The world has been reforested.

It is very beautiful, but here is no one to talk to. I am the last person left alive.

Underground is nothing but desolation. Endless corridors where my footsteps echo. Condensation collects and runs down the walls. Occasionally a gust of air shows some random action of the atmosphere controls, so somewhere there's still power, but I have yet to find a machine or terminal that works. Not that I understand how to work them even if they were active. The lifts don't work, and I've had to climb access ladders or stairs.

There is no sign of violence. It's as if everyone had stepped out years ago and not returned.

The *Gyges* works very well on the planetary surface. Naturally I left the scoop in orbit, but she was designed to be rugged and intelligent. She sang to me as we flew over what was once the eastern United States (recently called, from the chart, the "Northwest Alliance"). Nothing exists but trees, as far as I can see, as far as *Gyges*'s sensors can scan: trees and rolling hills. This used to be called Pennsylvania when I left, and this was Ohio. The Lakes gleam to the north, pale and blue.

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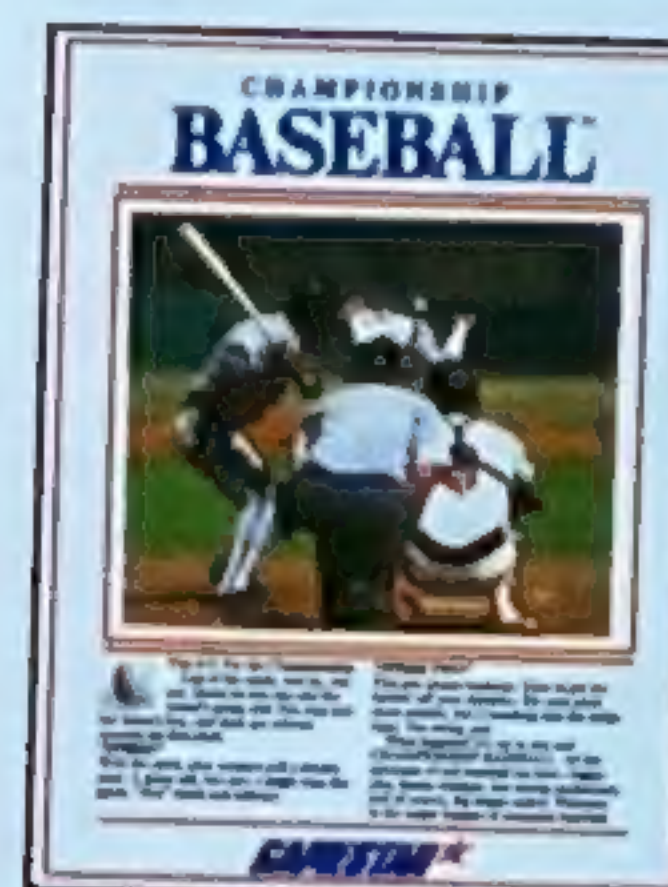
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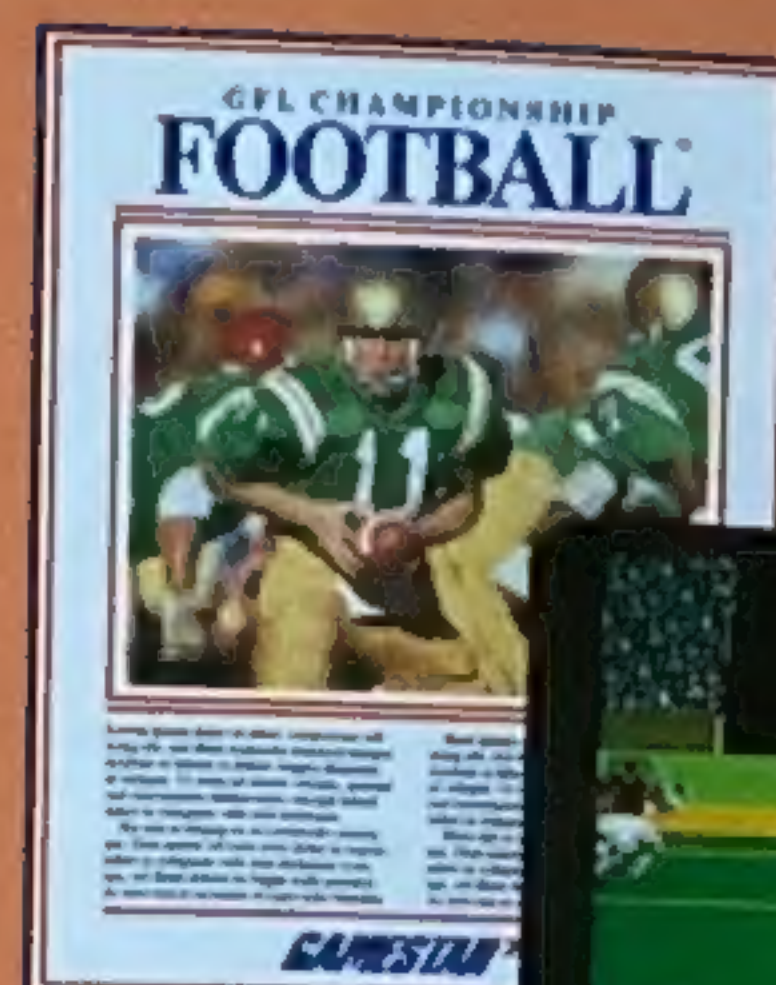
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Core Intelligence (See WASATCH).

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Intrapersonal (partition bar graph).

- **SPAT.** Spatial orientation. Capacity for visual imagery and the mental manipulation of objects in three-dimensional space.
- **BODY.** Bodily-kinesthetic. Developed fine motor control and/or skillful object manipulation.
- **SOCI.** Social adjustment. Interpersonal intelligence, sensitivity to the feelings and motivations of others; an expression of innate leadership talent.

Memory (horizontal bar graph).

- **ATEN.** Attention span. Measure of intensity and duration of intellectual focus and concentration.
- **SHRT.** Short-term memory. Measure of rote memorization skills, with no consideration for later retention.
- **LERN.** Learning curve. Measure of the speed with which one

can become familiar with and use a new concept or skill.

- **LONG.** Long-term memory. Ability to understand, integrate, and retain concepts and skills and recall and use them over time.

Logic (partition bar graph).

- **MATH.** Mathematical IQ.
- **DEDC.** Deductive reasoning. Ability to reach conclusions from numerous apparently unrelated facts.
- **INDC.** Inductive reasoning. Ability to prove the steps needed to reach a stated conclusion from certain starting parameters.

Core Intelligence (See WASATCH).

LIFE SUPPORT (Physiological data; time-stamped data not available with older peripheral I/O)

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Blood Pressure (planeline graph/sec. vs. press. Hg).

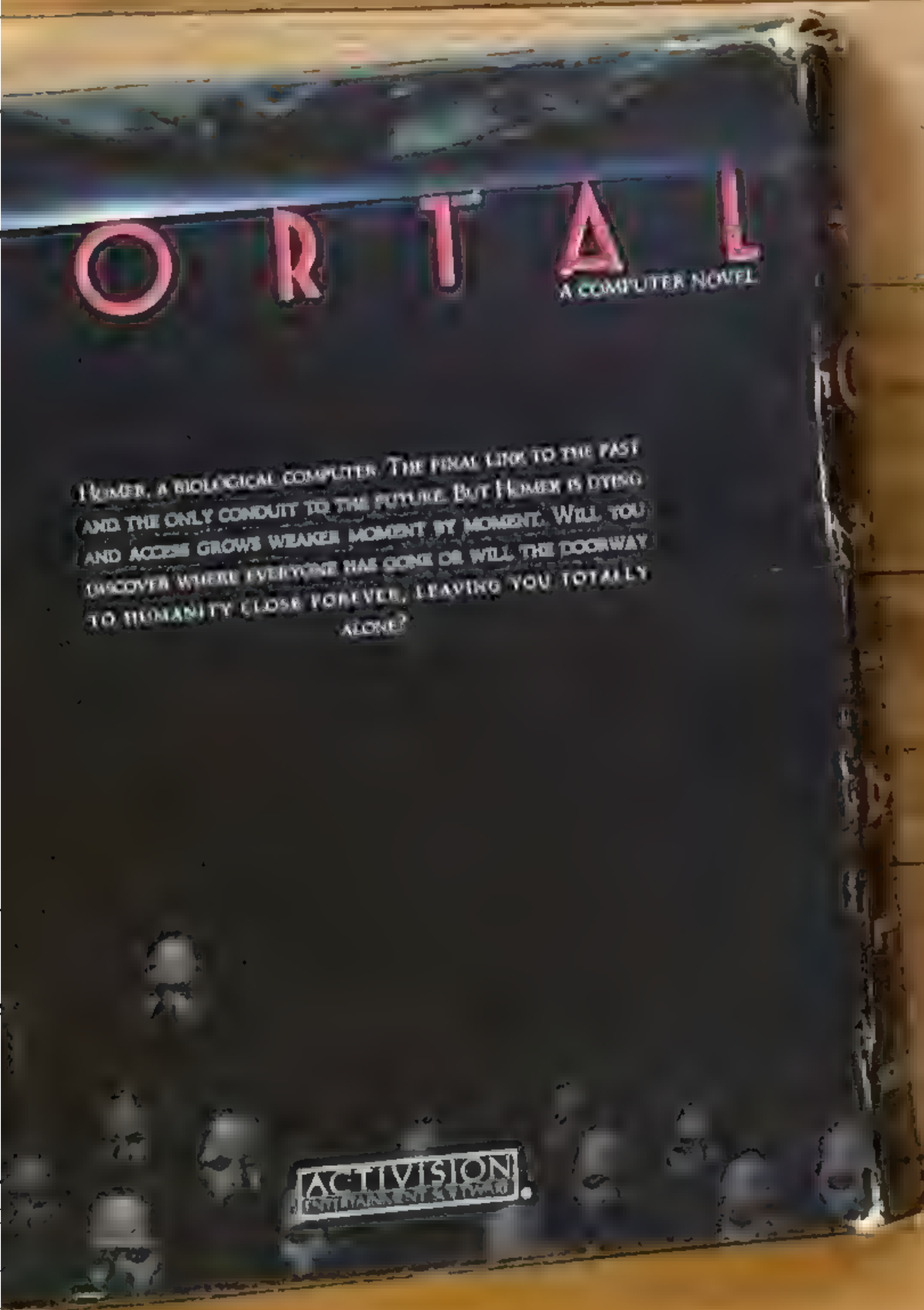
- **SYST.** Systolic. Peak blood pressure as the heart contracts.
- **DIAS.** Diastolic. Blood pressure when the heart muscle relaxes and the ventricles snap shut.

Temperature (planeline graph/sec. vs. percentage from base).

- **FACE.** Face temperature. Changes in face temperature reflecting changes in mood.
- **EXTR.** Peripheral temperature. Reflection of sympathetic nervous system or emotional response.

Respiration + GSR (planeline graph/sec. vs. 108M|208M|308M|BASE|RSPS).

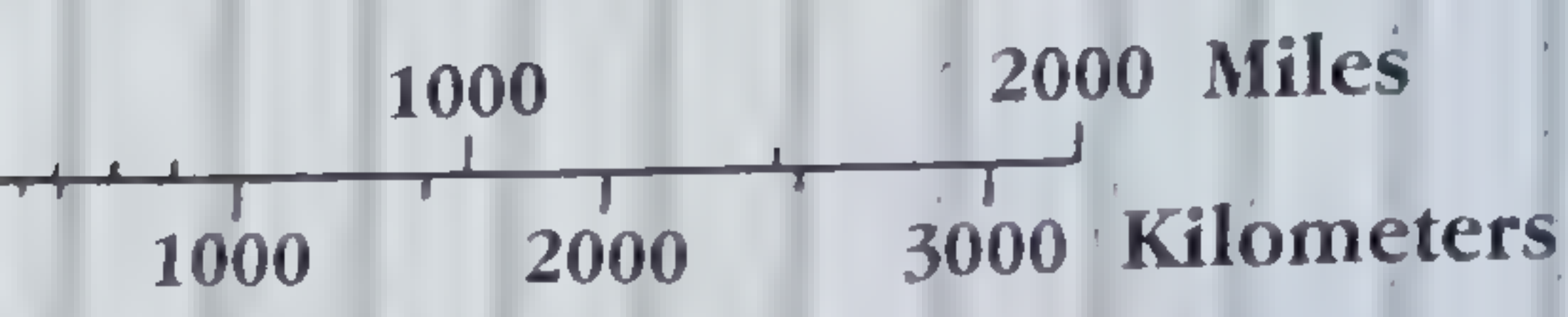
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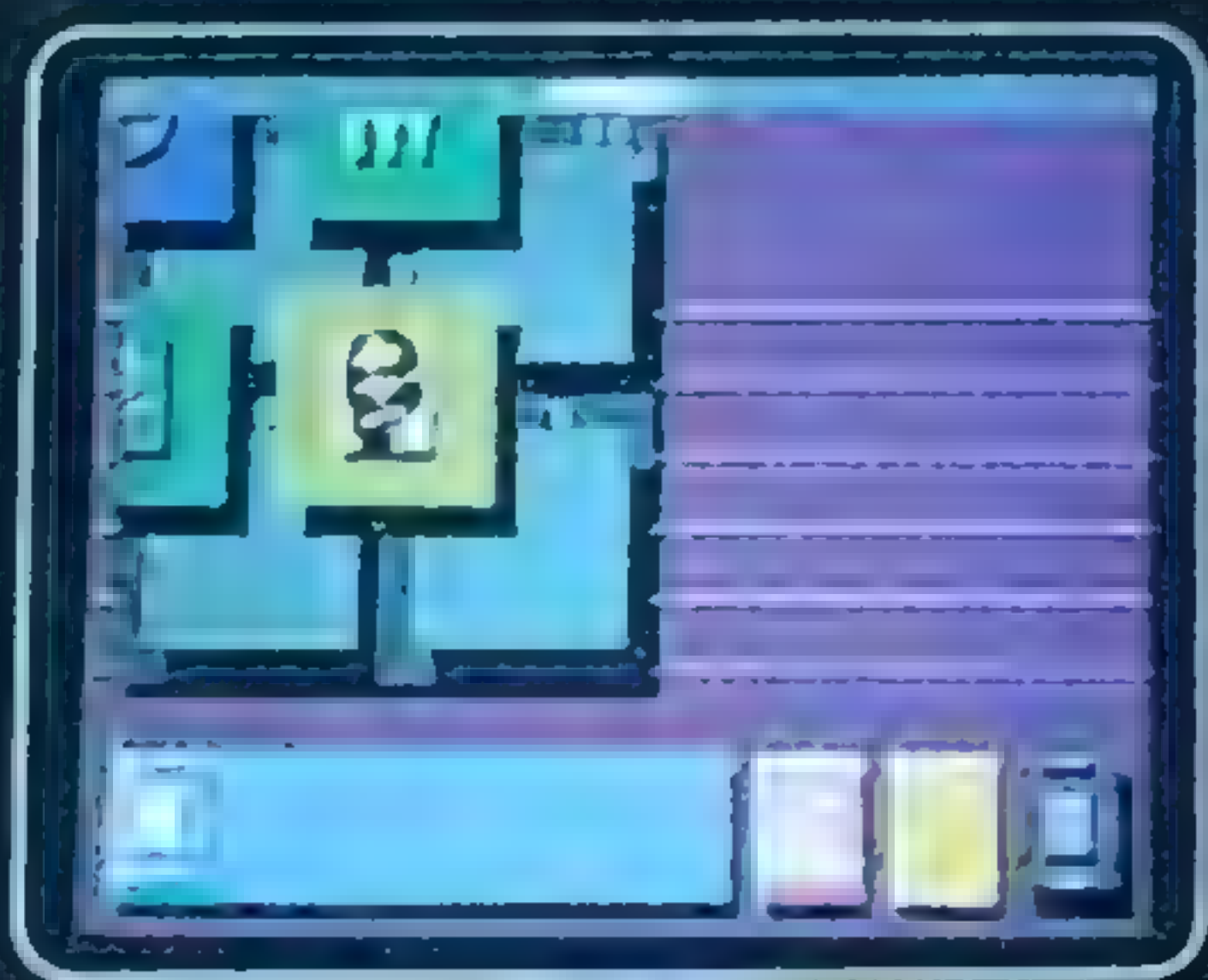
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